

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)	
)	Conf. #: 3739
Gang BAO et al.)	
)	Art Unit: 1618
Serial No. 10/694,243)	
)	Examiner: Dameron Levest Jones
Filed: October 27, 2003)	
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For: MULTIFUNCTIONAL MAGNETIC)	
NANOPARTICLE PROBES FOR)	
INTRACELLULAR MOLECULAR IMAGING)	
AND MONITORING)	

AMENDMENT AND REPLY UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111

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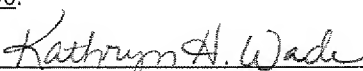
Sir:

The amendments and remarks herein are responsive to the Office Action mailed on August 25, 2006, a response which is due November 25, 2006, without any extensions of time. Applicants hereby request entry of the amendments, consideration of the appended remarks, and allowance of the above-identified application.

Amendment to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 11 of this paper.

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